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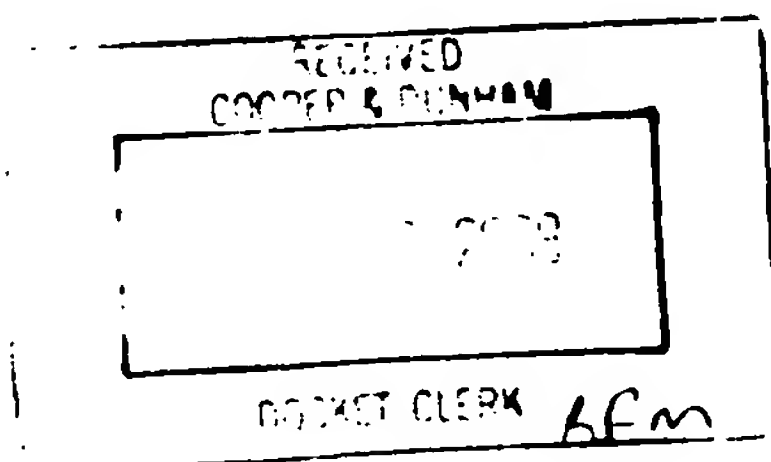
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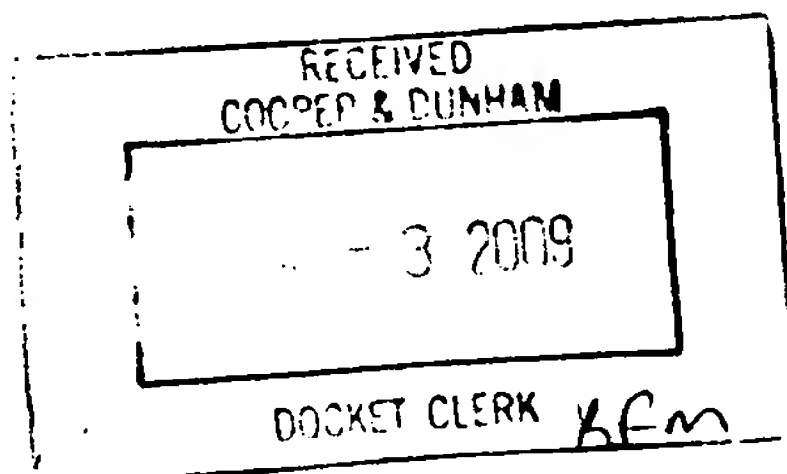
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International Patent Classification (8th edition unless older edition indicated) See relevant information in Form PCT/ISA/237			
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1. This international preliminary report on patentability (Chapter I) is issued by the International Bureau on behalf of the International Searching Authority under Rule 44 *bis*, 1(a).

2. This REPORT consists of a total of 4 sheets, including this cover sheet.

In the attached sheets, any reference to the written opinion of the International Searching Authority should be read as a reference to the international preliminary report on patentability (Chapter I) instead.

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WRITTEN OPINION OF THE
INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY

(PCT Rule 43bis.1)

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1. This opinion contains indications relating to the following items:

- ☒ Box No. I Basis of the opinion
- ☐ Box No. II Priority
- ☐ Box No. III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
- ☐ Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention
- ☒ Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
- ☐ Box No. VI Certain documents cited
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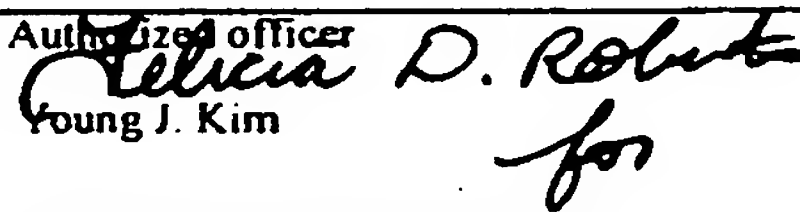
2. FURTHER ACTION

If a demand for international preliminary examination is made, this opinion will be considered to be a written opinion of the International Preliminary Examining Authority ("IPEA") except that this does not apply where the applicant chooses an Authority other than this one to be the IPEA and the chosen IPEA has notified the International Bureau under Rule 66.1bis(b) that written opinions of this International Searching Authority will not be so considered.

If this opinion is, as provided above, considered to be a written opinion of the IPEA, the applicant is invited to submit to the IPEA a written reply together, where appropriate, with amendments, before the expiration of 3 months from the date of mailing of Form PCT/ISA/220 or before the expiration of 22 months from the priority date, whichever expires later.

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**WRITTEN OPINION OF THE
INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY**

International application No.

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Box No. I Basis of this opinion

1. With regard to the language, this opinion has been established on the basis of:

- ☒ the international application in the language in which it was filed
- ☐ a translation of the international application into _____, which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (Rules 12.3(a) and 23.1(b)).

2. With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application and necessary to the claimed invention, this opinion has been established on the basis of:

a. type of material

- ☐ a sequence listing
- ☐ table(s) related to the sequence listing

b. format of material

- ☐ on paper
- ☐ in electronic form

c. time of filing/furnishing

- ☐ contained in the international application as filed.
- ☐ filed together with the international application in electronic form.
- ☐ furnished subsequently to this Authority for the purposes of search.

3. ☐ In addition, in the case that more than one version or copy of a sequence listing and/or table(s) relating thereto has been filed or furnished, the required statements that the information in the subsequent or additional copies is identical to that in the application as filed or does not go beyond the application as filed, as appropriate, were furnished.

4. Additional comments:

WRITTEN OPINION OF THE
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Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43 bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Claims <u>28-30</u>	YES
	Claims <u>1-27, 31, and 32</u>	NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims <u>NONE</u>	YES
	Claims <u>1-32</u>	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims <u>1-32</u>	YES
	Claims <u>NONE</u>	NO

2. Citations and explanations:

Claims 1-27, 31, and 32 lack novelty under PCT Article 33(2) as being anticipated by Ruparel et al. (PNAS, April 26, 2005, Vol. 102, No. 17, pages 5932-5937).

Ruparel et al. disclose a nucleotide analog comprising a 3' modification, wherein said modification is an allyl moiety bound to the 3'-oxygen of the nucleotide, and fluorophore bound via an allyl linker (page 5933, 2nd column, 3rd paragraph).

With regard to claims 2-6, the nucleotide analog is 3'-O-allyl-dUTP-PC-Bodipy-FL-510 (page 5933, 2nd column, bottom paragraph).

With regard to claims 7-18 and 31-32, Ruparel et al. disclose the method of synthesizing the above modified nucleotide analog (page 5933, 2nd column, bottom paragraph, to page 5933, 1st column, 1st paragraph).

Ruparel et al. also disclose the method of making an oligonucleotide bearing the 3'-O-allyl-modification, the modification being made at the thymidine residue (page 5933, 1st paragraph, bottom paragraph).

With regard to claims 19-27, the artisans disclose a primer extension sequencing of a 60-mer DNA template from exon 7 of p53 gene, using the 3'-O-allyl-dUTP-PC-Bodipy-FL-510 nucleotide analog, via use of a polymerase which has been modified (page 5934, 1st column, 2nd paragraph).

Ruparel et al. disclose that the modified polymerase used in their extension reaction is a 9thN polymerase comprising A485L/Y409V mutation (page 5934, 1st column, 2nd paragraph).

Therefore, Ruparel et al. anticipate the invention as claimed.

Claims 28-30 lack an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3) as being obvious over Ruparel et al. (PNAS, April 26, 2005, Vol. 102, No. 17, pages 5932-5937).

The teachings of Ruparel et al. have already been discussed above.

Ruparel et al. do not explicitly teach their reagents in a kit format.

However, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to package the reagents of Ruparel et al. into a kit for the conventionality of kit in the analytical arts, for providing well-known benefits, such as ready-to-use pre-weighed, purified, and pre-packaged format.

Claims 1-32 meet the criteria set out in PCT Article 33(4), and thus have industrial applicability because the subject matter claimed can be made or used in industry.